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## WALTER CARLIN GETS AWAY WITH 2 AT SCHOFIELD

Lively Preliminaries Put On for Benefit of Soldiers at the Big Post

(Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence)  
SCHOFIELD FARRACKS, Dec. 21.—It is rarely that Schofield barracks finds a fighter who will agree to take on two opponents in succession and dispose of each as handily as did Walter Carlin at the Infantry Amusement Hall last evening. The clever little artilleryman was booked to fight a 15-round bout with Bud Walters but owing to Walters' disinclination to go on because he claimed that Carlin had not reached the weight agreed upon when the articles were signed, the management had to do some scurrying to provide the card with something looking like a main event. There was considerable disappointment at Walters' withdrawal but the management was perfectly fair in the matter and offered to return the gate money to any fan who desired it. However, no one applied for the privilege and those who stayed probably saw Carlin more extended than he would have been if he had fought the Filipino champion. In fairness to Walters it should be said that an investigation of the facts developed that he was right in his protest. Carlin had not trained down to the required weight. He was one pound to the bad yesterday afternoon. With Walters the fighting game is his business; with it he expects to make his living, largely when he is discharged next month. He felt that he could not afford to enter the fight with his opponent weighing a pound more than the stipulated weight and in this he is entirely right. The fact that both principals were weighed at the hospital last evening before the management means nothing because the weighing was with their clothes on. Here it was found that Walters was three pounds to the good. There will probably be much disgruntled talk turned in Walters' direction until he leaves on the next transport but it is hardly fair to accuse a man of cold feet just because he insists that the other party to the mixup comply with the fight agreement.

Carlin justified his entire willingness to go on and the management found Newman, the much-touted recruit representative of the 4th cavalry and Sillings of the hospital corps who had won a sure place in the esteem of the fans on his former appearances. Carlin met them both for four rounds each with five minutes intermission between events.

Neither of these men was in training and the events were in the nature of an exhibition. Major Butts, dealing to give a decision. Carlin fought at 130 pounds and looked trained to the minute. Newman, who faced him at the first of the short bouts, was entered at about 150 pounds and his appearance clearly showed this weight. The newcomer showed much speed, considerable cleverness at first in blocking and countering, but a tendency to wild swinging as the fight progressed.

Carlin tried him out in the first round, giving Newman all the rope he needed to extend himself. In the second he began his slaughter, after making left and right straight arm jabs to the face and head and the going only saved Newman. The third round was short, Newman taking the count twice before his seconds finally threw up the sponge. With Sillings, Carlin, who already had three hard rounds behind him, had less success. Sillings for two rounds was able to stop most of Carlin's leads and it was not until the last round that the artillery champion was able to hit over Sillings' guard with certainty. He drove into Sillings' face several blows which would have stopped almost anyone except the sturdy hospital corps man. The fight was easily Carlin's for Sillings did little leading but nevertheless he made a very favorable impression. In the semi-final between "Smiling" Pennell of the 1st infantry and "Sandy" Hyle of the 4th cavalry, much cavalry money changed hands. The cavalryman hadn't a look-in with the smitten one and he took the count in the third round, following a terrible punishment.

The openers were decidedly classy. Stevens of the cavalry, knocked out Turnbull of the same regiment in the second round, both principals putting up a hammer and tongs exhibition. The 25th infantry preliminary went to a draw in the fourth round, the principals being Woods, the new outfield find on the 25th infantry ball team, a recruit in F company, and "Battling" Howard of the same company. Woods had the wallop but not the physique to handle it while the other man had little to lay claim to the name of "Battling" but his weight and a belated uppercut. The last two rounds found Woods so fatigued from the futile pounding with a savage left on Howard's face that he could hardly continue the fight and his opponent in a similar state from lack of condition. The battle royal drew a laugh or two but as a feature it has no place in the Schofield fight card.

The result was a draw after the elimination by way of the floor and the purse was split by two husky recruits.

## BASEBALL RULES OF 65 YEARS AGO

It will no doubt be interesting to the baseball fans of today to compare some of the rules of 65 years ago to those of the present time. When the rules were first framed, about 1848, they would not fill one page of the baseball guide of today.

The Knickerbocker club of New York city was the first one organized to play the now national game of baseball and was the one from which the succeeding clubs derived their rules of playing. The organization bears the date of September 23, 1845, when playing rules were adopted, which are given below, and present a curious contrast to those now in vogue:

1. The bases shall be from "home" to second base, 42 paces; from first to third base, 42 paces, equidistant.
2. The game to consist of 21 counts, or outs; but at the conclusion of an equal number of hands must be played.
3. The ball must be pitched and not thrown for the bat.
4. A ball knocked out of the field or outside the range of the first or third base is a foul.
5. Three balls being struck at and missed and the last one caught is a hand out; if not caught, is considered fair and the striker bound to run.
6. If a ball be struck or tipped and caught, either flying or on the first bound, it is a hand out.
7. A player running the bases shall be out if the ball is in the hands of an adversary on the base, or the runner is touched with it before he makes his base; if being understood, however, that in no instance is a ball to be thrown at him.
8. A player running who shall prevent an adversary from catching or getting the ball before making his base is a hand out.
9. Three hands out, all out.
10. Players must take their strike in regular turn.
11. All disputes and differences relative to the game to be decided by the umpire, from which there is no appeal.
12. No ace or base can be made on a foul strike.
13. A runner cannot be put out in making one base when a ball is made by the pitcher.
14. But one base allowed when a ball bounds out of the field when struck.

## PHILLIES BACK-STOP THE BEST

Will Killifer, of the Phillies, who might still be on the St. Louis American League Club were it not for the fact that Jim McAlister fired him from that team in 1909, was the best throwing backstop in the National League last season. He thwarted 130 attempts to steal and was one of three men who averaged one or more men thrown out per game. The other backstops who had a record like Killifer were Mike Simon, of Pittsburgh, and Jimmy Archer, of Chicago, the last named, like Killifer, being an American League discard. Hugh Jennings was the manager in the Johnson organization who shipped Archer back to the minors. Killifer and Archer both got votes from the Cardinals, the commission of writers experts as being the players most valuable to their teams. In last season's competition for the car, but Simon was passed up by the scribes.

Other High Marks  
Simon averaged 1.04 victims to the game and Archer 1.02, the Pittsburgher flagging ninety-six men in ninety-two contests and the Chicagoan 105 in 103. Johnny Kling, of Cincinnati, ranked fourth among the windpaddlers when it came to pegging out men who tried to steal. Ivy Wingo, of St. Louis, fifth; Otto Miller, of the Superbas, sixth; "Chief" Myers, of the Braves, seventh; Will Fischer, of the Superbas, eighth; Bert Whaling, of the Braves, ninth; and Tom Clark, of the Reds, tenth.

All told, there were 1,240 National League players thrown out in attempting to steal second, third or home last season. The Philadelphia backstops turned back 176 men, Chicago 169, St. Louis 165, Boston 151, Pittsburgh 151, Brooklyn 146, Cincinnati 146 and New York 133.

## ALL O'BRIENS OF THE WORLD, TAKE NOTICE!

James of This Name Left \$12,000.00 To Be Distributed Among Heirs in U. S.

(By Latest Mail)  
SHEBOYGAN, Wis.—In the vaults of banks in Ireland and in safety deposit boxes there is \$12,000.00 left by James O'Brien, deceased, awaiting distribution among residents of Sheboygan, Fond du Lac, Milwaukee, Winnebago and Marathon counties.

The fortune was amassed in the gold fields of California in the early fifties.

The news came in dispatches from P. H. O'Brien of Wausau, who is in Ireland looking after the details of the estate. O'Brien died in County Cork twenty-one years ago.

## Kiviat, Who Won New Title in National Cross Country Race



ABEL KIVIAT

Abel Kiviat won the national cross country championship and therefore has a new claim to fame. The course was six miles. Kiviat, a member of the Irish-American Athletic club of New York City, was one of the American point winners at the last Olympic games.

## 'SPITBALL KILLS PITCHING ARM,' JOHNSON

When the so-called spitball came into prominence, eight or nine years ago, all of the star pitchers of that period learned to pitch it in practice, but nearly all of them decided to have nothing to do with it for fear that constant use of the spitball would have a bad effect on their pitching arm.

On the other hand, the spitball was the making of several pitchers who would have long ago been relegated to the minors except that they became very adept in using it.

Walter Johnson, the great Washington slambang, blames the spitball for the downfall of two noted pitchers. He says:

"The spitball is a novelty, I'll admit, but it ruins a pitcher's arm. In time, if Ed Walsh, for instance, had never used the spitball he would have had no trouble with his wing. The same applies to Russell Ford, who seems to have lost his effectiveness last season."

"The pitching in the last world's series was devoid of new wrinkles. Bender and Plank depended almost entirely on speed and curves. Bender mixed in a slow ball now and then, which had the Giants swinging at nothing. Hugh had a jump ball, which was nothing more than the time-on-order inshoot, delivered so that it would pass close to the upper part of the body. Mathewson's fadeaway, so-called, was a drop ball with an out curve, delivered so that it would shoot down past the waist."

"You can puzzle the best batsman by sending up a different kind of ball each time. Then he doesn't know what to expect and cannot set himself for a healthy swing. In the long run, however, speed counts when you put the ball over the plate without delay and can get the batsmen in the hole as quickly as possible."

## LADIES OF HONOLULU

furnished the recipes for the Honolulu Cook Book. These guarantees of good cooking have been compiled from time to time in the Home Department of the Honolulu Star-Bulletin. It's a splendid Christmas present.

Reserved seats on sale in Sporting Goods Department, E. O. HALL & SON, LTD.

## HERE'S PITCHER WITH WOODEN LEG AND HE MAY GO TO BIG LEAGUE

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Barney Pelly, the old major league pitcher, now has a young pitcher under his wing whom Barney is trying to land with some major league club. The youngster is Albert G. Murphy, and in Western Missouri he is known far and wide as the pitcher with the wooden leg.

Murphy truly has a leg which formerly was part of a tree, but Pelly says that should not be held against him. In fact, Barney says the wooden leg is a help instead of a hindrance. Instead of ducking the hot drives Murphy lets them hit his wooden shin and throws the batter out at first.

Pelly also says that the wooden leg does not hamper Murphy's speed on the paths. "I'll bet this kid Murphy can beat three-quarters of the big league pitchers in a foot race," said Barney. "Even though you don't have to be able to hit or run to be a successful pitcher."

"Wooden Leg" Murphy pitched for Farmington in the Southern Missouri League last season, where he won 23 games and lost but three.

## CHICAGO WON'T PLAY HARVARD

(By Latest Mail)

CHICAGO—The University of Chicago, through its board of physical culture and athletics, has declined to meet Harvard in a football game next fall. The board expressed appreciation at the invitation for a game at Cambridge, but decided that it was not advisable to schedule games with teams outside the "Big Nine" conference.

## Gives Out Statement.

A statement given out after the board's meeting said: "The University of Chicago has received an invitation to play a football game with Harvard university in Cambridge next autumn. At a meeting of the board of physical culture and athletics appreciation of the invitation from Harvard was expressed. In the opinion of the board, however, it is not at present advisable for the University of Chicago to schedule for the games out of the western conference, and especially at so considerable a distance."

## In Line With Spirit.

The decision is in line with the spirit of the conference so informally expressed here at the faculty meeting recently, when scheduling of interconference games was declared undesirable. In this connection it was learned today that the proposal for an interconference post-season basketball season, which the conference declined to sanction, was made by the eastern association.

Rear-admiral Thomas Howard has been assigned the command of the Asiatic fleet, succeeding Admiral Nicholson ordered to Washington, preparing for his retirement.

## GOLF GOSSIP

When the United States Golf Association delegates gather in annual session at the Waldorf-Astoria on Jan. 9 they will have placed before them for their approval a list of courses from which to select the scenes of action for the three championships—amateur, open and women's—says the New York Tribune. An amendment to section 6 of the by-laws was decided upon recently, when the necessary fifth vote of the executive committee was received by mail.

Robert C. Watson, president of the United States Golf Association, stated that this would simplify the selection of the championship courses. It was what practically happened last year, when, as secretary of the association, Watson wrote personal letters to a number of the active clubs, in which he took them to task for not showing more loyalty to the national body by offering their links.

One Meet for the West  
As the situation now stands, the executive committee will have to select three courses for each championship—nine in all. This list will be presented at the annual meeting. Doubtless the same keenness to secure the plums will mark the efforts of the delegates representing certain clubs as last year. The chances are that at least one of the tournaments will go west.

The Oakmont Country Club could have had the amateur fixture for the asking two years ago, but the Pittsburgh golfers said they preferred to wait until they had brought their course up to championship standard. There is little doubt that the Elkhawk Country Club of Manchester, Vt., could have had this year's amateur. It may be ready now. The amended section 6 reads as follows:

"The amateur, open and women's amateur championship tournaments shall take place on the links of an active club, in selecting which due consideration will be given to accessibility, accommodations and conditions of course. It shall be determined at the annual meeting each year over which links the championships prizes shall be contested for that year. The time for the annual meeting, formulate a list of at least three courses which it considers suitable for holding each of the three championships, namely, the amateur, open and women's events, and must select from each club the name of which appears on the list its consent to hold championship, provided same is awarded it."

Many a missed shot at golf can very properly be charged to a slight turning of the club due to a defective grip of the hands on it. The shaft wrapped with a hard leather grip offers a surface that can be held securely only by a very firm grip upon it by the hands. In cold weather when the hands are dry, as in very warm weather when the hands are slippery with perspiration or in a rain, leather is extremely hard to hold. To overcome the difficulty several preparations of resin and wax are used, which when rubbed on the leather grip enable the golfer to get a firm hold on the club and prevent it from turning in the hand without the exertion of so much muscular effort as to tighten all the muscles of the forearm and interfere with the swing.

After experimenting with these various preparations, I now have all my club handles covered with what is known as "rain grips"—a covering of rough rubber fabric, and find no difficulty in holding the club securely in any sort of going. Many are opposed to the rough rubber grips because they think it is hard on the hands. In my own case I find that by their use I hold the club much more loosely, and playing entirely without gloves find less callous spots and sores than when I used leather grips. This one possible criticism of the rubber grips is their comparatively short life. This is amply repaid, however, by the confidence given that the club will not turn in the hands.

On many occasions when playing in a heavy downpour against players of greater strength I have been agreeably surprised to find myself easily beating them on account of the security of my grip.

As a matter of fact, many of my best cards on the links have been made during the rainy or moist days, when I played every stroke with full confidence against opponents who could not securely grip their clubs. They often allude to me as a water-dog, but the secret of the play is in the rubber grip. In order to be at home with the grip I used it at all times and on all the clubs.

To be able to go forth day after day through all sorts of weather, without any anxiety regarding the club turning in the hand, is to be able to devote more attention to other details of the stroke, such as keeping the eye on the ball, proper timing of the stroke, and the follow through. Players who now use a glove in order to prevent sore hands that are caused when the glove is left off, by their vice-like grasping of the club, should try a wrapping of thin, rough rubber around the leather and a loose grip and no glove.

## STRAIGHT DRIVE

The new James J. Hill ship, for use along the Pacific coast, will attain a speed of thirty-five miles an hour it is claimed. In addition to being luxurious it othe last degree.

## IS A JINX FOLLOWING CHAMPIONS? AD WOLGAST HAD HIS TROUBLES

Is a jinx attaching himself to the lightweight title? Champion Willie Ritchie's nose trouble recalls to mind the series of accidents that beset Ad Wolgast when he held the title. Ad was in the hospital so much that it is figured out that when he becomes 40 years old he should have a cork leg, hickory arm, a couple of rows of store teeth and a glass eye. Here is what has happened to Wolgast already:

- 1906—Left ear "candleflowered" into a bowknob.
- 1907—Right ear scrambled to match.
- 1908—Bones in both hands cracked and knocked out of joint.
- 1909—Bridge of nose caved in. Surgical operation necessary.
- 1910—Rib fractured in bout with Jack Redmond. Left arm broken in battle with Tommy McFarland.
- 1911—Stricken with appendicitis. Successfully operated on.
- 1912—Bones in both hands injured again.
- 1913—Suffered serious attack of ptomaine poisoning. Ribs cracked in bout with sparring partner.

So, Willie Ritchie, beware!

## BALL GAME AND SOCCER MATCH

Baseball and soccer will divide the honors Christmas afternoon, the All-Hawaiians playing the Chinese at the American national game at Athletic park, while an All-School eleven will play The Reet at association football, the match to take place at the lower Punahou field at 3 o'clock.

There is considerable interest in both games, but it's a safe bet that the baseball event will draw the larger crowd. The All-Hawaiians, under the management of Bill Desha, have been getting some hard knocks of practice during the past week, and they are out to avenge the defeat of Thanksgiving day.

The soccer game should be one of the best ever staged in Honolulu, according to the experts, who have watched the play of the several teams, from which tomorrow's contestants have been picked.

## INTERNATIONAL SPORTS FOR 1914

(By Latest Mail)

NEW YORK.—The certainty of a series of matches for the polo cup next year completes a roster of international sports for 1914 that has never been approached in all the time that England and America have engaged in competition of this kind. From early spring Uncle Sam must start to prepare for an English invasion that will take place on golf links, tennis courts, polo fields and the water.

After an athletic slump that extended over a long period the Britons are now passing through a sort of rehabilitation. This movement is being fostered by three titled Englishmen, who stand ready to spend their private fortunes to regain the former athletic prestige of their country.

Undaunted by previous failures, Sir Thomas Lipton will send over another boat to challenge for the international cup. The assurance of cup racing has resulted in a veritable boom in yachting. Uncle Sam must at once get busy with the construction of a cup defender.

The Duke of Westminster will again defray the expenses of a polo team to this country. After sending a formal challenge to the American Polo Association the Hurlingham Club announced that plans are already on foot at equip and ship two teams to the United States in 1914. The English players will go to Madrid shortly after the New Year to prepare for the international games.

Even before the polo competitions many of England's stars will be sojourning on our golf links. The visit of Vardon and Ray this year was but a forerunner of a big golf invasion in 1904. Lord Northcliffe, who was vitally interested in Vardon and Ray's trip, will, according to report, send over a team next season that will consist of nearly a dozen of England's best golfers.

Before leaving for home last month both Vardon and Ray said they would return next year and it was extremely likely that Taylor, the present British champion, Brad and other noted golfers would accompany them. The ambition of this foreign delegation will be the winning of Uncle Sam's open title, but it is probable that several English amateurs will arrive in time to compete in the amateur championships against Jerome D. Travers and Francis Ouimet.

Some time in July at Newport the American tennis teams will be called on to defend the Davis cup against one of the most formidable aggregations that England is bound to send over. It was a rude shock to England's pride to have three young Yankees come over and trim them at tennis. Ever since McLaughlin captured the deciding match at Wimbledon the Britons have been hustling around to round up a team that could come to this country and return with the cup.

## HEAVIES ARE QUEERED IN GOTHAM TOWN

(By Latest Mail)

NEW YORK.—The world's two big and heaviest "hopes" skinned down the toboggan slide the other night. As possible heavyweight champions Jess Willard and Carl Morris are no longer with us.

It's a pity in Willard's case, too. Here's a fellow with every physical quality that might go into the making of a genuine world beater, and hardly enough fighting spirit to outfit a well-respecting sparrow.

The "battle of the mastodons" turned out to be a time affair after all. It went 10 rounds. There, wasn't it? near knockdown in it. Willard ran through harder and more accurate boxing, but little glory goes with winning. There was more real show in 10 seconds of the semi-finish than in the whole 10 rounds of the final.

Were Well Matched.  
Morris weighed (according to the figures furnished by Joe Humphries, the official inspector of the boxing commission) 254½ pounds; Willard scaled 255½ in his logs. The looked perfectly matched as they stepped up at the beginning of the first round. But they weren't matched.

Willard had strength, speed, terrific hitting power, skill, and nothing else. Morris had strength and courage, and nothing else.

In the first round neither did anything. From the second on Willard occasionally landed terrific straight rights and right uppercuts that shook Morris and made him reel for a moment, then dive in for a clinch and chance to rough it at close quarters. Once a right uppercut landed Morris so that his knees bent and it was as if he'd slid down. But he straightened right up and went into a clinch. Every time he came in close against Morris slugged away at Willard's body. The blows were just heavy drives, without the snap of the heavy that adds effectiveness. But strong enough it was nearly always the hard who clinched and held on to the referee's hands, shouting for a "break."

There was all the difference in the world between Carl's average punches and mauling and scattered straight punches and the blows landed by the copperpuncher. Willard had everything. He shot right or left over like a lightning stroke. He was accurate, strong with the uppercuts, which Morris usually avoided. His punches landed with a snap and a jarring effect that might have won for him in a few rounds. Several times he had Morris going. A Jeffries wouldn't have been much time over that job, with a same start. And Willard, in spite of Tom Jones' agonized appeals from the corner, threw away chances by clinching and hanging on.

When he was hurt, and now and then at the beginning of a round, under the urging of his manager, Al, he needed to show like a champion was a champion's heart. That was entirely lacking.

Morris had all the old-fashioned ability to take punches. He recovered quickly after every staggering blow. But even Morris wasn't the wild cat that roughed Gumbel Smith all over the ring. Much was apparently won by the fact that for the first time he was fighting a man as big and powerful as himself.

The Crowd Jeered.  
The bout was so slow that toward the end the crowd jeered and whistled. "Use the exit nearest you when you get cut, Willard," called a fan in the gallery. This was when Willard, indulged in a side step now and then, was getting away so eagerly that he stepped on one of his own feet and nearly fell down.

Tom Jones, who always has an able came around after the bout and offered to us the information that "Willard was in no shape to fight and shouldn't have been allowed in the ring." Having seen nothing worse with Willard's "shape," we asked him to explain. "Jest tell downstairs this morning," said Jones, "but I'm not telling you about it. I don't want to use it as an excuse."

Morris had no skill to offer three straight sets in the All-England championships, inviting him to come out for the Davis cup team next year. It is more than likely that the British titleholder will second, and both Parke and Nixon will be available, too. England must, it is expected, take part in the preliminary rounds of the Davis cup, for the right to play the United States in the final round there isn't any nation that can afford to neglect the capital of these players, and it is doubtful that Uncle Sam, even with McLaughlin and Williams, will be able to successfully cope with the powerful British crew.

While the entire crew of a Northern train, were sitting at a table in a restaurant in Seattle, Ore., some one started the train at a slow speed, and it had gone a mile before an express train, filled with passengers, came along and struck it. The train was wrecked and some of the passengers were killed.